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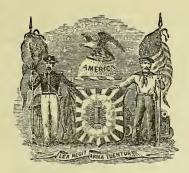




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To the Memory of

Comp. Colonel CHARLES M. COIT, U. S. V.

Adopted at a Stated Meeting of the Commandery, held on Wednesday, November 6th, 1878:

WHEREAS, Companion Colonel CHARLES M. COIT, of Norwich, Connecticut, formerly of the Eighth Connecticut Volunteer Infantry, lost his life in the gallant effort to save his little son from drowning, in New London harbor, on Wednesday, July 3d, 1878, therefore:

Resolved, That the memory of Companion Colonel Charles M. Coit is cherished by his companions of the Massachusetts Commandery of the

dilitary Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, for his many ttractive personal qualities; for his untarnished record as a brave soldier and devoted patriot; for the purity of his life as a consistent Christian gentleman, and especially for that spirit of heroic self-sacrifice which made him ready to dare every danger at the call of duty, and which finally cost him that life which he had lived so nobly and risked so generously.

Resolved, That the foregoing resolutions be entered upon the records of the Commandery, and that a copy of the same be fowarded to his family.

H. CLAY TRUMBULL,
Late Chaplain U. S. Vols.
EZRA P. GOULD,
Late Major U. S. Vols.
HORACE C. BACON,
Late Capt. U. S. Vols.

Committee.

[Extract from the minutes.]

The following resolutions,

IN MEMORY OF

Comp. Maj. Gen. GEORGE F. SHEPLEY, U. S. V.

Were adopted at a Stated Meeting of the Commandery, held on Wedneslay, November 6th, 1878:

Resolved, That the ability and fidelity of Companion Maj. Gen. GEORGE 7. SHEPLEY, as a jurist, especially displayed in the exercise of the duties of Judge of the Circuit Court for the United States for the First Circuit, has placed his name high upon the list of those whose learning and whose abors have adorned and dignified the jurisprudence of the United States.

Resolved, That the gallantry and patriotism of Companion Maj. Gen. George F. Shepley, as exhibited at the outbreak of the rebellion, in leaving he learned profession to which he belonged to take part in the impending conflict, and his courage and conduct in all its vicissitudes until victory rowned our efforts, afford an example worthy of respect and admiration.

Resolved, That while uniting with the common sorrow of the whole community in the decease of Companion Maj. Gen. George F. Shepley, at

the height of his usefulness as an illustrious and high minded citizen, and at the zenith of his well won reputation as a firm, upright and learned judge, this Commandery have a right peculiarly to mourn his loss, also, as that of a brave and patriotic soldier, an able and efficient officer, and a generous, trusted and faithful companion.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered on our Records, and that a copy of the same be forwarded to his family.

CHARLES DEVENS,
Major Gen. U. S. Vols.
SIMON G. GRIFFIN,
Major Gen. U. S. Vols.
PETER PINEO,
Surgeon and Lt. Col. U. S. Vols.

Committee.

[Extract from the minutes.]

IN MEMORIAM.

Comp. Lieut. Col. JAMES M. RICHARDSON, U.S. V.

Adopted at a Stated Meeting of the Commandery, held on Wednesday, November 6th, 1878:

Another life is ended and one more Companion has moved beyond the udgment of this world, passing peacefully from its obscurity into the clear sunlight of a higher sphere.

Lieutenant Colonel JAMES M. RICHARDSON closed the record of his life Dctober 7th, 1878, and while we lament our loss, we read in that record he evidence of a character which in many respects we may safely imitate.

Courteous. generous and hospitable to all, he attracted to himself many congenial spirits, by whom his memory will be warmly cherished.

He performed every duty with fidelity, and during the late war displayed skill and courage which caused him to be recognized as a true man, a devoted soldier and trusted commander.

We tender to his afflicted family, who watched over him through a long and distressing sickness, our warmest sympathy, and share with them in heir respect and love for his manly virtues.

Resolved, That this declaration of our remembrance be forwarded to the family of our late Companion, entered upon the Records of this Commandery, and published in the Army and Navy Journal.

CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD,
Brig. Gen. U. S. Vols.
GEORGE S. MERRILL,
Major U. S. Vols.
WILLIAM W. DOUGLAS,
U. S. Vols.

Committee.

[Extract from the minutes.]

Alfred P. Rockwell, By't Brigadier General U. S. Vols.

Commander.

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